SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 930 By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Adam Hanover, 2006 Valedictorian of Ridgeway High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Adam Hanover is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2006 graduating class at Ridgeway High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Hanover has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Adam Hanover has earned an exemplary 5.238 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his status as a stellar scholar, this exceptional young man has earned numerous accolades; he was named an AP Scholar with Honors and to the Principal's Honor Roll, received the Honors Algebra I and Algebra II Awards, Honors Etymology Award, AP Government Award, and the Yale Book Award, and was selected as his school's Boys State delegate; and

WHEREAS, Adam has also received an Outstanding Delegate Award from both the UCLA Model United Nations and the University of Virginia Model United Nations and has been honored with a Senate Resolution recognizing him for these rare accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, he is also a gifted athlete who was a valuable member of the varsity soccer team, as evidenced by his receipt of the Coach's Award; and

WHEREAS, truly a Renaissance man, Adam possesses a great love for politics and has volunteered with several campaigns; he served with distinction as the Shelby County Youth and Voter Registration Chairman for the 2004 Bush-Cheney campaign, and he coordinated the visit to Memphis by the Rwandan Ambassador to the United States and Congressman Harold Ford, Jr.'s visit to Ridgeway; and

WHEREAS, Adam Hanover has evidenced a strong commitment to public service and good citizenship at an early age, and he volunteers his time and considerable talents to worthy causes, including Bridge Builders, Facing History and Ourselves, and Global Routes Missions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hanover's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his success as a student at the University of Pennsylvania, where he plans to pursue a degree in International Relations with an eye toward a future career as a policy advisor in both the political and business arenas; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his father, Marc Hanover, his mother, Jan Hanover, who was also Valedictorian of her Senior Class, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Adam Hanover's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Adam Hanover, 2006 Ridgeway High School Valedictorian, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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